

Local History Information

Print Resources

The library has a [small collection](#) of reference books covering the history of West Linn and surrounding areas, including information on McLean House and Park, Maddax Woods, historic structures in Clackamas County, and the Willamette Meteorite.

See our [brochure](#) which lists library resources on the history of West Linn, Clackamas County, Portland, and Oregon.

Online Resources

- [Just Yesterday: A Brief Story of West Linn, Oregon](#)
- [City of West Linn Historic Context Statement: Willamette and Holly Grove Neighborhoods](#)
- [City of West Linn: History](#)
- [Willamette Falls Historic District Nomination Form](#)
- [Historic Bolton Neighborhood Walking Tour](#)
- [Historic Willamette Neighborhood Walking Tour](#)
- [Website for the local newspaper, the West Linn Tidings](#)
- [Series of seven history articles written by Sandy Carter for the West Linn Tidings](#)
- [Historic Sanborn Maps](#)
- [Historic West Linn Maps](#)
- [Historic West Linn Plat Maps](#)
- [West Linn Historic Donation Land Claims](#)
- [West Linn Centennial](#)

Resources for Further Research

Newspapers

- The West Linn Tidings is available on microfilm at the [Wilsonville Library](#) (1984-2004) and at the [University of Oregon Library](#) (1985-2008).
- A number of different newspapers have been published in [Oregon City](#), [Lake Oswego](#), and [West Linn](#) since the mid-1800s. Many of these are available on microfilm at the [University of Oregon Library](#).
- The Oregonian is available as a [searchable database](#) (1987-present) with your Clackamas County library card. For years 1861-1987, the Multnomah County Library has the searchable Oregonian Historical Archive database. Microfilm for years 1937-present is available at the [Lake Oswego Library](#).
- The University of Oregon's [Historic Oregon Newspapers](#) page has a number of pre-1922 newspaper articles available free online.

Historic Photographs

- The [Oregon Historical Society library](#) has a large collection of historic photographs.
- The [Clackamas County Historical Society](#) also has a large collection of historic photographs.
- The [Oregon Digital](#) database contains photographs, journal articles, sheet music, manuscripts, and

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ephemera from the libraries at the University of Oregon and Oregon State University.

- The [Oregon State Library](#) has a photograph collection containing several thousand glass plate negatives and prints covering a wide range of Oregon-related subjects. They have digitized a small portion of that collection and made it [available online](#).
- The [Historic Images of Oregon](#) database contains photos of Oregon with a special focus on the City of Salem and other Willamette Valley communities.

Genealogy

- [HeritageQuest](#) is a genealogy database that you can access with your Clackamas County library card.
- The library edition of Ancestry is available at the Lake Oswego and Wilsonville Libraries.
- The Willsonville Library has a print collection of genealogical material and also provides access to several [online resources](#).
- The [Clackamas County Family History Society](#) is available to help you research your roots.
- The [Genealogical Forum of Oregon](#) has one of the largest independent genealogy libraries on the West Coast.
- The [Portland Area Personal Ancestral File Users Group](#) provides classes year-round to help you with your research.
- The [Oregon Genealogy](#) website contains information for Baker, Crook, Grant, Hood River, Lane, Linn, Malheur, Umatilla, Union, and Wallowa Counties.

Supporting Documents



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[Historic Bolton Neighborhood Walking Tour](#)



[Historic Willamette Neighborhood Walking Tour](#)

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